

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NGUYEN, ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/691,319

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Title: "METHODS FOR REDUCING  
PARTICULATE DENSITY AND  
METHODS OF USING REDUCED-  
DENSITY PARTICULATES"

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Group Art Unit: 1762

Examiner: ELENA TSOY

Atty. Docket No: 2003-IP-010380U1

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION, MAILED NOVEMBER 17, 2006**

Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In an Office Action mailed November 17, 2006 (the "Office Action"), the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121. In response to this election requirement, Applicants submit this response.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.